

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in the application with Claim 1 being the sole independent claim and Claim 10 being new. Claims 1-9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Töyrylä et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,970,417).

Töyrylä teaches receiving, by a mobile station, group call maintenance messages from each base station in a plurality of cells that a group call area comprises, whereas the claims of the present invention recite receiving extended group call service information from each base station in a plurality of cells that the group cell area does not comprise.

In other words, Töyrylä neither teaches nor reasonably suggests notifying the mobile station of cells providing the group call service among the moved cells and neighboring cells when the mobile station moves to cells that do not provide a group call service, unlike the extended group call service information recited in Amended Claim 1.

In addition, Töyrylä merely discloses providing and maintaining the group call service but moving the mobile station in a cell maintaining the same group call service, and fails to teach maintaining the group call service when the mobile station moves to a cell that does not provide a group call service, as disclosed in the present invention.

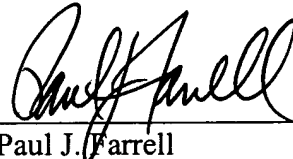
Clearly, Amended Claim 1 differs from Töyrylä.

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In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims herein, namely Claims 1-10, are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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